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BENTON, MISSOURI

SENATORS SMITH, of New Jersey, and Aldrich, of Rhode Island, sailed for Europe, on the 29th, on the steamer New York.

The president left Washington, on the 29th, for Gray Gables, accompanied by Secretary Lamont and Private Secretary Thurber.

SIMON STEVENS, well known in public affairs in New York city, died, on the 28th, aged 68. He was a first cousin of the great Thackeray.

The St. James Gazette of London says that George Gould will visit England next spring with a new twenty-rater designed by Herreshoff.

COUNCILMAN DOUBODRAT, of New Orleans, was arrested, on the 29th, with the marked hills upon him with which he had just been bribed to vote for an ordinance.

The United States has demanded an immediate, open and fair trial of the American citizen arrested at Bluefields and carried to Managua, Nicaragua, in default of which their instant release will be demanded.

AFTER a pastorate of forty years Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, retired from the active duties of pastor of the Park church in Elmira, N. Y., preaching his farewell sermon on the 29th.

HUGH ANNANDALE, now living in Quebec, Can., who was arrested some time ago in Baltimore for the murder of Arnold, who resembles him in appearance, has entered suit against the United States government for \$10,000.

It is asserted that 194 Dutch soldiers and fourteen officers, including Gen. Vanham, were killed in a recent battle with the natives of the island of Lambou. Many others were wounded. The Dutch residents of Lambou escaped.

An inquiry, completed on the 29th, among the best representatives of the mercantile community of Chicago establishes the fact very clearly that business has recovered its old-time health and vigor. There is no general boom, but trade has revived from its lethargy.

The government of Nicaragua has decided to banish British Vice-Consul Hatch and nine others of the Bluefields prisoners. Messrs. Lampton and Wiltbank, American citizens, will also be banished. Patterson, Ingram, Taylor and Brownrigg will be kept as state prisoners.

The committee in charge ordered the great "white-bordered flag," "The Flag of Human Freedom," floated from the national liberty pole at the Navesink Highlands entrance to New York on the 29th, in honor of the meeting on that day at Antwerp, Belgium, of the international peace congress.

OFFICIAL reports received at the state department indicate quite a serious situation in Peru. It has been found necessary to suspend several articles of the constitution, including the writ of habeas corpus, and the president of the republic is practically clothed with dictatorial power.

CHIEF HEALTH OFFICER CURTIS of Milwaukee was attacked by a mob of women on the 29th, while moving a smallpox patient, and badly hurt. Fifty policemen arrived five minutes later, and, after a pitched battle, dispersed the mob. Over 100 officers were required to patrol the riotous districts.

On the 29th a dispatch was received at the navy department from Commodore Carpenter, at Nagasaki, Japan, announcing his arrival at that point. He has just taken command of the Asiatic squadron, and sailed on the Monocacy from Nagasaki to Chemulpo to join the Baltimore, which will be his flagship.

At Asheville, N. C., on the 29th, Louis Belrose, Jr., aged 45, of Washington, D. C., in a fit of mental aberration as a result of his brain being affected by tuberculosis, placed the hilt of a sword against a tree and fell on the point of it three times, fatally injuring himself. Belrose was formerly in the United States navy.

In response to a call issued by the Good Citizenship league of Indiana, 300 representatives of churches of all denominations, temperance and other societies, met at Indianapolis, on the 29th, to take action in regard to the organization of the movement independent of the old political parties, in the interest of public morality and reform.

PUBLIC PRINTER BENEDICT has made a sweeping reduction in the force of the government printing office, about 500 employees receiving notice, on the 29th, of dismissal. About 200 printers are affected by the order, the others being bookbinders, folders, pressmen and other employees naturally affected by the suspension of the Congressional Record.

The British garrison has been temporarily withdrawn from the island of Cyprus. This action has no political significance; nevertheless commercial circles there were thrown into a panic, and the Christians resident upon the island are also greatly agitated over the report, to which they give credence, that Cyprus is to be restored to Turkey.

The change from the McKinley tariff to the new tariff law, involving great reductions in rates of duties and numberless alterations in matters of detail, because of the well-ordered wheels of government machinery, was accomplished, on the 28th, as far as the treasury department was advised, all over the United States, without a hitch or break.

The Co-Operative Rolling Mill Co., which was organized seven months ago to operate the idle mill in Hubbard, O., has declared its first dividend. The amount is 1 per cent. All the employees of the mill, except the bookkeeper, have left 50 per cent. of their earnings in the general fund of the company since it was started, and they are not at all satisfied with the amount.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.
FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

In the senate, on the 27th, the short session of an hour and a quarter was held behind closed doors. There matters of a legislative character were disposed of, none of them of any general interest. There were but twenty-three senators present. In the house the galleries were crowded by visiting knights of Pythias and the seats were almost deserted. No business of importance was transacted. Mr. Haugen announced the death of his late colleague, A. H. Shaw, at his home in Wisconsin, and after the adoption of the customary resolution and the appointment of a committee to represent the house at the funeral the house adjourned.

In the senate, on the 28th, no business was transacted during the two hours the body was in session; but to relieve the weariness of the waiting senators, the speaker, Mr. Cannon, and when the vice-president made his farewell speech and declared the senate adjourned until after the adoption of the customary resolution and the appointment of a committee to represent the house at the funeral the house adjourned.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.
In recent engagements with the Taurens in the French possessions in Senegambia the French troops met with a series of reverses. In one fight three companies were completely cut to pieces.

By the accidental upsetting of a candle in a wooden dwelling in Santa Monica, Cal., on the 29th, the 3-year-old son of Mrs. S. Grimes and the 3-year-old daughter of Mrs. Dimonguez were killed to death. The mothers of the children were out walking at the time.

F. W. MAY, an American horse trainer, was arrested in Vienna, on the 29th, at his wife's instigation, who charged that he fired three shots at her from a revolver.

MAL-GENE, R. HON. SIR JOHN CLAYTON GOWELL, K. C. B., master of the queen's household, died suddenly at Cowes, Isle of Wight, on the 29th.

FOREST fires in the vicinity of New Whatcom, Wash., have destroyed several bridges and buildings. The flames were thought, on the 29th, to be under control.

FIRE, on the 29th, wiped out the business portion of Elliston, Mont., a railroad and logging town on the Northern Pacific. But one store was left standing. The post office is in it. Total loss, \$15,000; insurance, not over \$5,000.

DR. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES, the "Autocrat of the Breakfast Table," entered upon his eighty-sixth year on the 29th. To say that he is in the enjoyment of good health is no exaggeration. It is a rare day that he does not walk a mile or more, and a still rarer one that he does not drive from 6 to 10 miles.

THIRTY-eight deaths from cholera and sixty-eight fresh cases were reported throughout Germany for the week ended the 27th.

The steamer Tom Sparlock, belonging to the Little Kanawha Lumber Co., was burned to the water's edge at Van-cuburg, Ky., on the 29th, from an exploded lamp. Capt. Johnson and the crew narrowly escaped, so rapid was the progress of the flames. The steamer is a total loss, with light insurance.

MADISON CHENDLE, a farmer in Morgan county, O., was taken from his house by a mob of about twenty whitecaps on the 29th, beaten almost to insensibility and then hanged to the limb of a tree. A tramp in a neighboring barn cut him down in time to save his life. The offense charged against Chendle was theft.

FIRE originated in Brooks Bros. lumber yard at Union Park, St. Paul, Minn., on the 29th. There were 10,000,000 feet of lumber in the yard, making the loss about \$115,000; fully insured.

The secretary of the treasury has decided that under the terms of the new tariff bill payments of sugar bounties on claims already filed can not be legally made.

FIRE destroyed the largest cremery in Hamilton county, Ia., at Stratford, on the 29th. It was supposed to have been of incendiary origin. The loss was total.

A MAMMOTH powder-house at Miller's station, Ind., was wrecked by an explosion on the 29th. Two men were instantly killed and three other employees were seriously burned. The force of the explosion demolished a number of buildings.

The veteran railroad official, John C. Gault, died in Chicago on the 29th. He never recovered consciousness since he was stricken.

RECEIVED McNELLY of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. has notified engineers and firemen that the proposed reduction in wages will go into effect September 1.

TRAMPS seem to have taken possession of the Lake Shore road. Near Hudson, Ind., on the night of the 28th, they fatally shot an unknown man and threw another man from a west-bound freight, after having robbed him of his possessions and battered his face badly. Another man was forced to jump for his life while the train was in motion.

FOREST fires, which have burned with intermittent vigor, have pretty thoroughly swept all of the territory lying between Harrisburgh, Mich., and West Branch, 84 miles distant, along the line of the Michigan Central railway. Many families have lost everything and are suffering from exposure and hunger.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONER ROOSEVELT and First Assistant Postmaster-General Jones put, in a full day, on the 30th, investigating the charges against Postmaster Malone, of Lancaster, Pa., of violations of the civil service law. The investigation was secret and none of the details leaked out.

THREE men arrested in Lincoln county, W. Va., charged with murder, were released, on the 30th, and allowed to run to the mountains to save themselves from a mob thirsting for their blood.

BUSINESS men from the southern states met in convention in Washington, on the 30th, to devise methods for the investigation and development of southern investments and resources.

SPECIAL revenue receipts for the fiscal year up to the 30th reached \$54,000,000, against \$50,000,000 for the corresponding period of last year.

VICE-PRESIDENT STEVENSON arrived at Sorrento, Me., on the 30th, where he will spend the remainder of the season.

RICHARD McAVOY shot and fatally wounded George Thomas, at Hartford, Kas., on the 29th, during a quarrel over chickens. McAvoy was then shot three times and almost instantly killed by Fred Rhodes, brother-in-law of Thomas.

The Pittsburgh Press club has organized a reception and entertainment committee for the purpose of looking after the press during the visit of the coming G. A. R. encampment, the committee including all of the prominent journalists of the city, and preparations for entertainment and facilities for press work will be arranged on an elaborate scale.

THEY K. TRESEAR, a farmer, residing near Ellettsburg, Ia., was robbed of \$1,000 on a public street of Topeka, on the 30th, by a stranger who played the "gold brick" confidence game on him. The stranger was promptly arrested by officers who were watching him.

GEO. McKINLEY and his staff were tendered a grand ovation at Ironton, O., on the 30th, for having won the prize in his address to the Society of the Army of West Virginia. The society re-elected Gen. W. H. Powell, president; Hon. E. S. Wilson, secretary.

J. NELSON, of Trout Creek, Mich., three dishes at his wife and children and ended by trying to empty a shotgun at them. He was arrested, but a gang of about twenty whitecaps took him from jail and gave him 100 lashes on the bare back and left him tied to a tree.

A POST-OFFICE inspector arrested Rev. G. R. McKinney, postmaster at McKinney, Okla., on the 30th, for alleged dealing with some registered letters in his office. McKinney is a well-known preacher and a candidate for the legislature. His arrest has caused a sensation.

The authorities of Lake county, Ind., have unearthed the existence of a factory for the manufacture of sausage and dried meat from carcasses of horses. Two Lake county men are the promoters of the scheme.

GEN. SCHOFIELD issued several army orders on the 30th, of which the most pleasing to the army was one which increased regimental bands from sixteen to twenty pieces. Army men say that sixteen pieces are not sufficient to make a creditable appearance.

E. H. PARMELEE, of Bergen, N. Y., who was arrested, on the 29th, on a charge of transacting a fraudulent business and released on bail, committed suicide, on the 30th, by throwing himself in front of the west-bound St. Louis express. He was 60 years old.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.
The town of Hinckley, Minn., of 500 inhabitants, was licked up by rushing flames of forest fires, on the 1st, and hundreds of its denizens fell in their tracks and were cremated as they ran from the burning town only to find themselves enveloped by hot smoke and flame whichever way they turned. Several other towns were burned also, the people meeting a similar fate. The dead are numbered by the hundreds, and the losses of timber and property by the millions.

The big steamer City of Cleveland, crowded with 1,000 excursionists from Sandusky, O., to Put-in-Bay, ran at full speed on North Bass reef, Lake Erie, during a heavy fog on the 1st. After several hours' delay her passengers were taken off by other vessels, but the efforts of tugs to release the steamer failed.

At 1 o'clock on the afternoon of the 1st, Letter-Carrier A. E. Smith started on his bicycle from the Chicago post office building on a flying trip to New York, carrying a letter from Postmaster Hesling to the master of the ship, his trip being intended to demonstrate the practicability of the bicycle in mail delivery.

The associated banks of New York city issued the following statement for the week ended the 1st: Reserve, decrease, \$987,825; loans, increase, \$1,116,200; specie, decrease, \$448,000; legal tenders, decrease, \$203,800; deposits, increase, \$188,100; circulation, decrease, \$28,100.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Will Preach There No More.
There is trouble at the Francis Street Methodist church, south, of St. Joseph, with the result that the pastor, Rev. John A. Beagel, has tendered his resignation, to take effect immediately.

For a year or more trouble has been brewing between the pastor and some of the foremost members of his flock, and against the protests of Dr. Beagel and his enemies in the church, the bishop at the last conference returned the pastor to his old charge. Through various means life was made a burden for the pastor, until he has at last issued a notice that he will no longer preach there. The trouble is based principally on the lines of reform laid down by the pastor, and the fact that he reads his sermons from manuscript. The congregation is divided.

Christian and Stephens Colleges.
Christian and Stephens female colleges, Columbia, have encouraging prospects. Christian college is in charge of Mrs. Lucilla Wilcox, of St. Clair, a teacher of experience and high attainments, who has been in control since the death of her husband, the former president, during the early part of last year. But few changes have been made in the faculty. Miss Annie Wyon, of Chicago, has been appointed vocalist, and Miss Lucille Dora, of London, Can., will act as preceptor. Stephens college will open September 11, and a thoroughly successful year is predicted. It is since the resignation of Rev. F. W. Barrett last May, undergone an entire change of management. Rev. F. P. Taylor, formerly of Liberty, Mo., is now in charge, and an entirely new faculty has been appointed.

Beaten and Robbed.
There were several bold robberies in the heart of St. Joseph early the other morning. Clark Logan was held up at Eleventh and Frederick streets, and after being frightfully beaten, was robbed of \$10 and a gold watch. E. L. Ferry was pounced upon as he was passing an alley near Third and Main streets, and was relieved of \$25 and a gold watch. He attempted to call for help, and was promptly knocked down. Joseph Williams and Bert Foot were badly beaten and robbed near Tenth and Messianic streets.

He Knew Prophet Joseph Smith.
John C. Whitmer, an old and well-known citizen of Ray county, died at his home near Richmond, Mo. Whitmer was a member of the monogamous branch of the Mormon church, and was a warm personal friend of the prophet, Joseph Smith. When the Mormons were driven out of Caldwell county Mr. Whitmer settled in Ray county, with his brother, the late David P. Whitmer.

For False Imprisonment.
A man named Brontone, who was arrested at Hannibal and fined for peddling without a license, has brought suit in the United States court against R. H. Womack and John Pratt, ex-recorder and marshal, for \$5,000 damages for false imprisonment and malicious prosecution. Brontone was released from prison by Judge Thayer, before whom he was taken on a writ of habeas corpus.

Burned by Gasoline.
Mrs. Fred Debow, of St. Joseph, was fatally burned by a gasoline explosion. She had a large boiler filled with water on a gasoline stove and was making arrangements to do the family washing. To lighten the clothes she decided to pour about half a cup of gasoline into the water, which was boiling. This she did, and no sooner had the oil struck the water than the explosion occurred.

Want Heavy Damages.
As a result of the big fire that took place in north St. Joseph in July, in which a whole block, including the yards of the Bennett Lumber Co., was laid waste, suits have been filed in the circuit court by Jacob Trier, J. W. Shanks and T. C. Neerfert against the Chicago Great Western Railway Co. for damages aggregating \$100,000.

Sandbagged and Robbed.
As James Brown was returning to Marshalltown, Iowa, he was other evening and two horses he was waylaid by two unknown men. They sandbagged him, took his money and the horses. He was hit on the head, and was unconscious for several hours.

Senator Mills to Speak.
Hon. Roger Q. Mills, of Texas, has been secured by the State democratic central committee to make a speech at the Democratic Press association and opening campaign meetings, to be held at Pertle Springs, September 6 and 7.

What a Little Figuring Shows.
It is figured out that the income tax will cost Gov. Stone \$20 a year, judges of the state supreme court \$10 each and the judges of the St. Louis court of appeals \$30 each.

A Great Orchard.
M. Brand, of Chicago, has several thousand acres of land near Brandsville, Howell county, which he proposes converting into a mammoth fruit farm.

Nominated for Congress.
The republicans of the Second congressional district held their convention at Brookfield and nominated Charles H. Loomis, of Chillicothe.

Killed by a Rattlesnake.
F. B. Heusted, a farmer near St. Joseph, was bitten in the face by a rattlesnake while handling sheaves of wheat, and died in great agony.

Extended a Call.
Rev. F. W. Speed, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Columbia, has been called to the pastorate of the Webster Grove Presbyterian church.

Death of Mrs. Kate K. Salmon.
Mrs. Kate K. Salmon, wife of Maj. Harvey W. Salmon, died in Clinton the other day, aged 54. She was a member of the Cumberland church.

Old Settlers.
The old settlers of Cedar and adjoining counties held their twelfth annual reunion at Case Hill, 12 miles east of El Dorado Springs.

Drowned in a Wash Boiler.
The 1-year-old child of W. T. Hulise, of the northern part of Vernon county, was drowned the other day in a wash boiler of water.

Electric Light for St. Charles.
St. Charles has voted—538 to 108—in favor of electric lights. The construction of the plant will begin immediately, it is said.

Maj. Cole's Revival.
Maj. Cole's revival continues with unabated interest at Clinton. Up to August 30, 520 conversions had been reported.

THE DAIRY INDUSTRY.

It Will be a Prominent Feature of the St. Louis Fair.
The St. Louis Fair association, under the vigorous management of its new secretary, J. K. Gwynn, will try to remedy some of the errors of the past. Among features that will be pushed to the front and made conspicuous, none will receive more attention than the exhibit of dairy products and goods.

To insure a dairy display commensurate with the dairy interests of the country, Mr. Gwynn called to his assistance Mr. Levi Chubbuck, secretary of the Missouri State Dairy association, and late secretary of the Missouri state board of agriculture, who has been intrusted with the work of arranging for and preparing the dairy exhibit. Mr. Chubbuck is now at work on this feature of the coming fair, to be held October 1-5, and enough has already been done to insure a fine display of dairy products, goods and machinery, one of the best ever seen in this country.

A separate, commodious and well-located building has been set aside by the Fair association for the dairy exhibit, and this will be provided with cooling facilities and show cases for the display of the dairy products to the best possible advantage.

Other portions of the building will be devoted to displaying dairy appliances and machinery. Arrangements will be made for running separators, churns, butter workers, sterilizing apparatus, and other machinery, and thus afford opportunities for manufacturers to go through the different processes of separating milk, churning and working butter, making cheese, testing and sterilizing milk, etc., both as a means of showing the capacity of the machines, and imparting instruction in the most improved methods of dairying. In short, the Dairy building will be made a school of instruction in dairying, thoroughly equipped with everything needed to illustrate the best methods, together with samples of the best dairy products made, to show what can be done. Experts in the different branches of the art of dairying will be in constant attendance during Fair week, prepared to freely impart information.

Liberal premiums, aggregating \$1,000 in value will be given by the Fair association, State board of agriculture, Butter and Cheese dealers, and Milk dealers of St. Louis, Lindell hotel, St. Louis, Refrigerator transit companies, and others, for best dairy products shown, which will, without doubt, call out a large display.

Advantage will be taken of the opportunity by members of the Missouri State Dairy association, National Dairy union, and other dairy organizations to hold meetings at the Dairy building for the transaction of business and discussion of dairy matters. It is expected that a large number of dairy people will, in consequence of the arrangements being made, attend the fair. D. W. Wilson, secretary of the National Dairy union, Elgin, Ill., will be one of the speakers to address meetings of dairymen. Arrangements for other speakers will be made.

Those wishing space for exhibition purposes, or information of any sort pertaining to the dairy exhibit, should write Levi Chubbuck, care secretary St. Louis Fair association, St. Louis.

Missouri dairymen should not fail to exhibit a full line of dairy products at the St. Louis fair, not only in competition for premiums offered especially for Missouri products, but in competition with the world. Why should our state longer remain in the background in this field of industry when it is acknowledged by all who are acquainted with the facts in the case, that no state in the Union possesses better natural advantages for dairying than does Missouri. We admit that as a state we are far behind others in the development of the dairy industry, yet there is butter and cheese made in the state that will compare well with goods made anywhere. We only need to make this and the fact that dairying can be made profitable known to the world to greatly hasten the development of the dairy industry in Missouri.

CLINTON EDUCATORS.
Two Clinton Professors Arrested on the Charge of Sending Anonymous Threatening Letters Through the Mails—They Deny the Allegations, and Give Gilt-Edge Bonds.

NEVADA, Aug. 31.—Deputy United States Marshal Clint Stone brought Professors Wm. M. Godwin and Ellis Smith here from Clinton on the charge of sending anonymous letters of a threatening character through the mails. The complaint was made by Prof. C. E. Greenup. Smith and Greenup are conducting rival schools at Clinton and the latter received a number of anonymous threatening letters, it is charged, which he had laid to Godwin and Smith. The matter was called before United States Commissioner John T. Birdseye. The defendants were ready for trial, but the plaintiff was not ready on account of the absence of a witness from Cooper county. The hearing was postponed until September 29. Godwin and Smith were released on bond of \$1,000, the Thornton bank of this city standing surety, at the request of the Bank of Salmon & Salmon, of Clinton. Messrs. Godwin and Smith disclaim any connection with the letters charged to them.

Old Landmark to Be Restored.
One of the most interesting landmarks in the vicinity of St. Louis is the "Old Rock church," standing about 8 miles due west of the city. It is the oldest Protestant house of worship in the state, the permit for its erection having been granted by a Spanish colonial governor, years before this territory passed into the possession of the United States. The storms have partially demolished the roof, and an effort is being made by Mrs. Helen M. Lusk and other public-spirited ladies to raise funds to repair the building.

Cattle Cremated.
The other afternoon fire broke out in the Hamilton (Caldwell county) fair grounds and destroyed seventy-five fine cattle and horses' stalls. About fifteen blooded cattle were burned. Four head of fine Shorthorn cattle belonging to J. C. Bagdadie, of Paris, Monroe county, that took premiums at the World's fair, were burned. His loss is estimated at \$1,000. I. G. Martin, of Cameron, lost four head of Galloway cattle; loss, \$400. The other stock burned was worth probably \$500 or more. The fire started from a gasoline stove the stockmen were using.

AN AWFUL HOLOCAUST.

Hundreds of Miles of Pine Lands Burned Over, and Hundreds of Human Lives Lost by Dreadful Forest Fires in Drought-Stricken Minnesota and Wisconsin—Hinckley, Minn., and Other Towns Wiped Out of Existence, and Their Inhabitants Driven Before the Flames to a Wretched Death—A Train-Load of Refugees Saved from Death by the Heroism of an Engineer and His Men.

SAUL, Minn., Sept. 2.—Only the horrors which accompanied the historic Chicago fire can be cited to compare with the terrible scenes and experiences in the flame-swept region of Pine, Kanabec and Carlton counties of Minnesota, and Burnett county, Wisconsin. At least 400 settlers, their families and others were burned to death or suffocated before the flames reached them, and the death list may reach another hundred or more. The people of Hinckley, which was a prosperous town in Pine county sixty-seven miles southwest of Duluth, are now dead or homeless and destitute. At a conservative estimate 250 men, women and children of this doomed town were unable to escape from the merciless, swiftly-advancing sheets of flame. They fell on the railroad tracks or on the old territorial road either to be cremated or die the more merciful death from suffocation by the clouds of dense smoke and heat-laden atmosphere.

The number of corpses already recovered from the blackened waste at and around what was Hinckley is 150, the majority being women and children who had not the strength to fight the destroyer or escape by fleeing to a place of safety. So far as can be learned this time from the devastated district, the following towns have been destroyed and the following are dead in numbers:

Hinckley, Minn., 1,000 to 12,000 inhabitants; 250 to 300 dead, 500 to 600 homeless.
Pokegama, Minn., next station south-west of Hinckley, 500 inhabitants; 50 dead.
Mission Creek, next station south of Hinckley, on the St. Paul & Duluth railroad; 10 people dead.

Sandstone Junction, Minn., next station north of Hinckley, on the St. Paul and Duluth road; 26 dead.
Sandstone, second station north of Hinckley, on the Eastern Minnesota road; 30 dead.
Cromwell, Minn., Carlton county; dead unknown.

Miller, Minn., near Hinckley, off railroad line; dead unknown.
Shell Lake, Barabette, Granite Lake, Cumberland, Pineville, Comstock and Forest City, lumber towns in Wisconsin, between Chippewa Falls and Superior, Wis., partly destroyed.

The number of dead in these Wisconsin towns and in other parts of the country, between Chippewa Falls and Superior, is estimated at 100 persons. The Minnesota conflagration, which was attended by the shocking loss of life and agony of body and mind for hundreds of others who escaped with their lives only, swept everything and everybody in its path from Pine City as far west as Carlton, near Duluth.

The great valley between Kettle river and Cross lake, which a few days ago was in no danger of destruction by the forest fire raging in the lumber states, is now one vast area of ashes and cinders, with here and there an oasis in the desert of devastation in the form of a half-dried lake, a standing farm building or a clump of timber. The bodies of the known and unknown dead, which dot the heated and blackened expanse, give the scene the appearance of a battlefield in which fire has played the conquering role.

As the survivors of the Johnstown flood escaped before the avalanche of water, and as the locomotive bore the warning of approaching disaster at that time, so did hundreds of human beings seek a place of safety from the flames by riding behind the "limited" locomotive which bore the "limited" train back towards Duluth after Jim Root, the brave engineer had taken his train into the midst of the flames. The escape of hundreds from what seemed certain death between walls of flame on each side of the railroad track and the evident saving of these human souls by the heroic acts and fidelity to duty of the engineer and fireman of the train will be handed down in the annals of calamities as masterpieces of heroism.

The retreat of the train, laden with human freight, would not have been accompanied with any loss of life had it not been for the two Chinamen who perished from being paralyzed with fright. They were rooted beneath their seats, and were consumed with the train at Skunk Lake. The wooden construction of every building in Hinckley except the Great Northern hotel and school-house made it easy for the rushing tide of flames to obliterate every trace of the town except the walls of these two structures.

One of the heaviest financial sufferers from the pine forest fire is the Cornell university. The trustees of this institution had invested over \$1,000,000 in the burned pine lands. As is often the case in times of peril to a large number of people, many go to their deaths because others lead and the leaders do not follow the safe path. Survivors of the Hinckley holocaust say that over 200 of those who perished in flames or smoke might have saved their lives if they had kept away from the river.

Scores of bodies of fugitives were found on the roadside as well as on the railroad tracks. Smoke, fire or exhaustion had overtaken them in their race for life. And the half of the horrors caused by this calamity to a prosperous people has apparently not been told.

The sending of relief trains and provisions, besides other necessities of existence in a homeless community, and physicians supplied with things for the injured, was commenced with commendable promptness and on a liberal scale by the citizens of Duluth, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Chippewa Falls, Superior, St. Cloud and other cities of the state.

Fears Felt for the Safety of a Passenger Train.
MARQUETTE, Mich., Sept. 2.—Much apprehension exists here regarding the whereabouts of a passenger train which left Duluth yesterday afternoon and was due here at 4:45 a. m. to-day. Two hundred miles of its run lies through the fire-swept district and it is feared bridges have been burned beyond Egan both in front and behind the train, thus cutting off escape. The wires, working east of Egan and up to that point little damage was done except to timber, an immense quantity of which has been destroyed.

How Many Children Are Blind?

It was a surprise to me to learn that very few children were born blind, but that it was usually brought about by carelessness and ignorance. Children's eyes are exposed to the bright light all too soon. Everybody has got to see the baby, and it is usually held up in the glare of a sunny window or a light and admired at length. Measles break out and again begin the death of eyesight, and also neglected inflammations. I was surprised to find how many simple things had resulted in loss of sight.—Boston Advertiser.

A Cover for the Bureau.
A bureau cover is very effective made of bolting cloth the exact size of the bureau. This is decorated with fine embroidery—a maiden-hair fern pattern or in forget-me-nots—and trimmed with fine lace insertion. The whole is edged with lace and lined with silk or satin in color to correspond with the decoration of the room.—Philadelphia Press.

The Voice of the People.
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